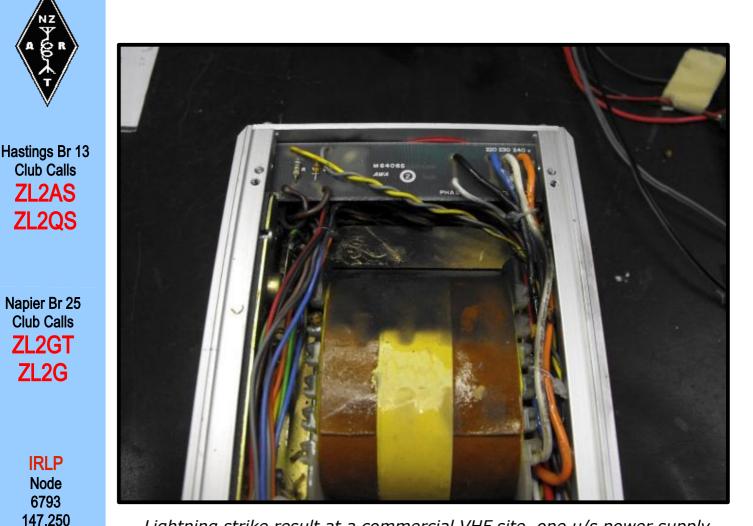


# The Newsletter of the Hastings and Napier Amateur Radio Clubs

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*Lightning strike result at a commercial VHF site, one u/s power supply transformer.* 

Branch's 13/25 Net 9.00 AM Sunday Morning 670 Repeater

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http://groups.yahoo.com/group/zl2as/

### **Emergency Call-in Frequencies: 3615khz and 670 repeater**



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Club Nights: Fourth Wednesday each month at 7.30 pm Pakowhai Hall, Pakowhai Road, Pakowhai

# WINTER STORY FROM BRANCH 13 PRESIDENT

Well here we are again doesn't time fly by each month and I think it is safe to say that this month we will be able to open the hall with the keys we have thanks to Rob zl2us for fixing the keys so they will work.

Hope you all remember to fill your pockets with money before you come to the meeting as I get the feeling there will be lots of junk to buy.

Well the last week and a bit I have been off work after I had a nasty fall at work getting out of my car and almost broke my leg but did do some real damage to my ankle with a hairline crack on the ankle knuckle, ended up with a back slab plaster on my foot for 4 days.

Will have to be more careful when getting in and out of my car from now on, and its just as well it was outside of work hours, you can just imagine that Worksafe would have been having a field day with me and all the paper work we now have to fill in for anything that goes wrong, it realy is all BS and there is no way around not filling in the papers.

Have been very quiet on the bands this mouth have not been very active at all apart from our Sunday morning net and the cornflakes net, just listening when I've been up over the last week as any other time I would be at work just starting out on my days work.

Been busy while off work doing some around the house handy man stuff and taking cupboards out and putting a new one in to make room for a new freezer as I'm feedup with having to go to the shed to get food out of the freezer in the shed, so went and got a new freezer from the Warehouse for a much cheaper price than I could from some of the other retailers and the one I got is a well known brand.

Been looking around web sites as well but for the life of me I'm buggared if I can work out some of these sites or maybe it's old age catching up with me as I can't find some of the things I'm looking for. I gave up and spent my money on having the car windows tinted to help keep the bright sun out while the car is parked at work all day no shady spots down at my work place.

Well guys and girls summer is not far away and the days are slowly getting longer and temp's are working there way up so it won't be long before we can start working on those antennas and towers, I know of one guy that will be happy to have his tower back up and the antennas working again.....a Wally zl2mo.

Well that's it so hope to see you all at the meeting along with your money. Cheers Blue zl3tt



Branch 13/HBARC, Hastings, office bearers, Peter Keong ZL2PW (Treasurer), Blue Smith ZL3TT (President), David Walker ZL2DW (Secretary).

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**Committee Meetings:** 7:30 pm, 3rd Tuesday of January, March, May, July, September, November Club Calls: **ZL2GT, ZL2G** Club Web Site: http://www.zl2gt.nz/

*Club Nights: First Wednesday each month (except January) 7.30pm at the Club Rooms: 123 Latham Street Napier* 

### **Napier Amateur Radio Club**

The months just keep rolling on, the days are lengthening, I needed to water my lawn (grass) just yesterday, as the ground is drying out.

Not too much excitement radio wise this month, worked 7p8z in Lethoso via EME, for another DXCC country, worked a few Vks on 6 metres FT8 on a few small mid winter openings. I continue to have skeds with Chris ZL7DX on Chatham islands on weekends using MSK144 Meteor scatter, we have succeeded to complete on every ocassion, although it takes a little while some mornings.

The power supply in the Clubs FT-1000 continues to misbehave, so with the help of Wally ZL2MO, I have taken it to bits and am attempting to repair it as I type this. The station doublets have been dropped pending the removal of the Gum trees by council, so we need some ideas about replacing these for the station, the MENSHED are happy to support one end (maybe a long wire).

Our 'new chairs' have been picked up from the FRIVS and installed at the Club rooms.

The SWR bridge project has been completed with the last two units being sold on trade me.

Our next meeting is August the 1st, and after the usual Club business, I'll set up my VNA test equipment and run it on any equipment you may want tested, LPF, BPF antenna etc, please bring something to test, and join us for some chat and cuppa.

That's all for now

73 Dave ZL2MQ.

# From ZL1AA, Branch 02, July newsletter. New Zealand Representation on the world stage at WRTC 2018



#### Team Leader: Wildcard Team #3

Jacky Calvo, ZL3CW Other callsigns: ZM1A, F2CW, ZM8CW, TX5CW, VP6CW, FO0CW, TX8CW, ZL9HR, N8A, W8A, 5W8A, 9N7CW, WE3B Country: New Zealand Previous WRTC experience: Competitor: 1990, Referee: 2010, 2014 Occupation: Retired

19 years in French Air Force (Telecommunications), 10 years in Red Cross (telecommunications), Emigrated to New Zealand in 1996 and started few businesses until retirement in 2016. Bought a small farm with few sheep and enough space for antenna!



#### Team Leader: OC Team #2

Holger Hannemann, ZL3IO Other callsigns: DL7IO, ZL2IO, ZM4T Country: New Zealand Previous WRTC experience: n/a Occupation: Global Sales Manager

I got first licensed in 1982 as Y31IO, later Y58IO, DL7VTM and finally DL7IO. My main radio interests were always contesting & DXing. I've been to around 90 countries and operated from over 30 DXCC's. In 2009 we moved to New Zealand. Here we enjoy a different lifestyle and try to develop a competitive contest station (ZM4T). My partner in life is Birgit - ZL2YL and we have two lovely daughters Saskia (22) ZL2GQ and Xenia (17) ZL4YL. Being able to participate in the WRTC2018 will be the highlight my amateur radio career and I'm very excited to meet the best contesters and many of my old friends in Germany.



#### Team Mate: OC Team #2

Xenia Berger, ZL4YL Other callsigns: n/a Country: New Zealand Previous WRTC experience: n/a Occupation: Student

I am a high school student and will be 17 years old at the time of the WRTC 2018. I was first licensed in 2015 with the callsign ZL4YL, although I started learning CW when I was 10 years old. I grew up in a radio amateur family as both my parents, Holger - ZL3IO, Birgit - ZL2YL, and my sister, Saskia - ZL2GQ are all Radio Amateurs. My favourite thing about ham radio is contesting - mostly in CW. I am very much looking forward to participating in the WRTC and meeting the best contesters and organizers of our radio community.

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### **THE NEXT Br13/HBARC meeting**

will be at the Pakowhai Hall at 7-30pm on Wed 25 July, all welcome.

In attendance will be NZART Councilor Peter Mulhare, ZL2IK, who will give us a brief presentation about "things NZART" and be open to questions



### **DONATED JUNK AUCTION** and scrap metal collection

After the next Br 13/HBARC meeting we will be having our world famous "Donated Junk Auction". Bring along your donated goodies and money and we'll see what we can do with both......all for the good of Club funds.

If you have any scrap metal donate that too and we'll convert it into more Club funds.

By prior arrangement I will open up the Hall on Wed. (25/7) afternoon if you want to bring stuff along early.

Looking forward to a fun night.

David ZL2DW (hm 8760518)





#### VOLUNTEERS WANTED

Do you have a passionate interest in the province's history? We need you as a researcher, typist or to enter data at Stoneycroft.

Volunteers are needed for all sorts of tasks -- to help at the Knowledge Bank where we are digitising Hawke's Bay's history.

To see the results of our work visit: www.knowledgebank.org.nz

Come and join our friendly crew. Training given if required.

Ring 833 5333 between 10am and 3pm weekdays.